

## IMPORTANT INFO FOR TOMALES RESIDENTS

TO: OUR NEIGHBORS WHO LIVE IN THE TOMALES SEWER DISTRICT

FROM: SEWER DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WALTER EARLE, PATTY OKU, ERIC KNUDSEN & HOPE STURGES

TOPIC: INCOME SURVEY SENT BY "Rural Community Assistance Corp."

Dear Neighbors,

Because the 2010 Census reported Tomales Residents average income as \$101,000 we do not qualify for Grants that would pay for slip-lining our Sewer Districts delivery system. This repair work will be expensive, should be done within the next 10 years and will prolong the life of the delivery system 40 to 50 years.

Your Sewer District Board believes the 2010 Census was a County Wide average and does not reflect the true earnings of Tomales residents. The only way to prove that premise is through an Income Survey. Your Sewer District Board requested "Rural Community Assistance Corporation" do the Income Survey because their results are accepted by Grant Agencies and they have promised to keep our personal income information private. **The earnings will be reported, NOT the names of our residents!**

### **What happens if you fill out the survey?**

If the average income of Tomales residents is \$45,000 or less we will qualify for Grants to pay for our Sewers Delivery System repairs at no cost to our ratepayers.

### **What happens if you do not fill out the survey?**

We will not qualify for Grants for our Sewers Delivery Systems repairs. We will have to rely on Government Loans to make these costly repairs. Rates will go up to pay for the Government Loans.

*Please complete and return your survey for the benefit of all of us and encourage your friends and neighbors to do the same. If you need a survey or have any questions or concerns please call Walter @ 878-2345, Patty @ 878-2872 or Karen @RCAC 916-549-3265 for more information. If we don't answer, just leave a message and we'll get back to you.*

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